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In re application of

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PROCESS FOR THE MULTIPLICATION OF STEM CELLS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 3 as follows:

(Amended) Use of an inhibitor according to --3. claim 1, in which the inhibitor of cell development is chosen from the group consisting of products of genes which control cell development with respect to cell differentiation and/or cell division, inhibitors of cycline-dependent kinases, factors which control apoptosis or ageing, and cytokines (such as interferons and TGF-b). --

Amend claim 4 as follows:

(Amended) Use of an inhibitor according to claim 1, in sequential combination with an anti-inhibitor of cell proliferation, to initiate a number of cell divisions